

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

Monday, January 31, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.

James Monty, Chairman
Thomas Scozzafava, Vice-Chairman

Chairman Monty called this Ways and Means meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the following supervisors in attendance: Clayton Barber, Stephanie DeZalia, Derek Doty, Shaun Gilliland, Charles Harrington, Roy Holzer, Ken Hughes, Steve McNally, Noel Merrihew, Jim Monty, Tom Scozzafava, Matthew Stanley, Michael Tyler, Joe Pete Wilson, Davina Winemiller, Margaret Wood and Mark Wright.

Department heads present were: Michael Diskin, James Dougan, Judy Garrison, Sue Montgomery-Corey, Daniel Palmer, Max Thwaites, David Reynolds and Dan Manning.

News media: Tim Rowland - Sun News

Also present: Rob Wick

MONTY: Alright, we'll call the ways and means to order. If everyone will stand, we'll salute the flag. Thank you. Roll call please, Judy. Thank you Judy. Shaun, would you like to give us an update on a few things?

GILLILLAND: I don't have any new news on anything Covid related this morning but as the world is trying to get back to normal again I think as many of us know, we belong to New York State Association of Counties which has a legislative essentially a conference every March in Albany so it's back at the old, Desmond Hotel again this year. The Governor I guess is going to be in attendance speaking there as well as the comptroller and others. It's a chance to take a look at the information I think Judy has put out about it, a lot of really good seminars in there. There's one on rural EMS that is going to be going on and a chance to meet Legislators. Judy, the dates are March what?

GARRISON: The 14th through the 16th.

GILLILLAND: The 14 -16th so I encourage anybody that is interested and I will say for new members and stuff it's a pretty interesting way to network outside of the county a little bit and then the other one we belong to is the National Association of Counties; has a Legislative conference in February. Judy, I'm sorry the dates?

GARRISON: The 12th through the 16th.

GILLILLAND: The 12-16th so just a couple weeks, you go down to Washington meet counties at the national level there, a lot of good seminars etc. and a chance to get around and take some of our priority level requirements and needs at the Federal level, to our Federal Legislators. We broke tradition off basically because of Covid but it's a good chance to get into the Congressional offices and talk to members or their Chiefs of Staff, make connections and when you need something you can pick up the phone and get back into the Senatorial offices or US Representatives office. So, if anybody is interested either in going please contact Judy as soon as you can. At the Federal level it is a good networking thing and actually talking to County officials in Georgia and Kansas and Alaska and things actually you find that we have a hell of a lot more in common than we do different so I encourage anybody to going.

MONTY: Thank you Shaun. Moving onto resolutions.

PUBLIC SAFETY
Monday, January 10, 2022
Chairman – S. McNally Vice-Chairman – I. Tyler

1. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO APPLY AND ACCEPT THE 2021 STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS GRANT (SICG21.) Holzer, Merrihew**

2. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE OPTION TO EXTEND FOR ANOTHER FOUR YEARS; WITH PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL FOR UPDATING OUR COUNTY EAGLE VIEW FLIGHT IMAGERY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$728,552.04. Wilson, Scozzafava**

MONTY: Discussion?

McNALLY: At one time, there was discussion possibly of using one of these grants through the fire I believe when Don Jaquish was here paid, for that was that an option?

PALMER: I think there was one fly over we took out of the SICG grants or a portion of it out but –

McNALLY: I think we did it one time. I don't know if there was an opportunity to do it again?

PALMER: Max might know but we didn't plan on it, let's put it that way. We expected to take it out of fund balance is where I had originally planned for it.

MONTY: Does that answer your question Steve?

McNALLY: Yes, I just didn't know if that was something, possibly that could be taken out of there? Thought it would help.

MONTY: Any other questions?

PALMER: I will get a breakdown from Max what's in the SICG grant now, okay?

McNALLY: Alright, thank you.

PALMER: And that SICG grant was for \$799,000.

McNALLY: At one time I think we used one of those grants.

PALMER: Yeah, I think we may have. Yes.

MONTY: No other questions? All in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Monday, January 10, 2022

Chairman – I. Tyler Vice-Chairman – R. Holzer

NO RESOLUTIONS

HUMAN SERVICES

Monday, January 10, 2022

Chairman – JP. Wilson Vice-Chairman - C. Harrington

3. **RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS AND APPRECIATION TO STEPHANIE SNOW UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM ESSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. Stanley, unanimous**
4. **RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS AND APPRECIATION TO CINDY HEALD UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM ESSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. Merrihew, unanimous**
5. **RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS AND APPRECIATION TO LISA NYE UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM ESSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. Wilson, unanimous**
6. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH BEACON INSURANCE FOR MOBILE CRISIS SERVICES IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Harrington, Hughes**
7. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN KOUTRAS, MD AS A DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES DESIGNEE PHYSICIAN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NEW YORK STATE MENTAL HYGIENE LAW. Hughes, Tyler**
8. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH VANESSA FUNFSINN, LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST, FOR THE SUPERVISION OF CLINICIANS PURSUING INFANT MENTAL HEALTH CREDENTIALING IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$100.00 PER HOUR, UP TO FOUR (4) HOURS PER MONTH WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM THE SYSTEM OF CARE GRANT. DeZalia, Scozzafava**
9. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESSEX COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION FROM THE OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH TO SET UP A SATELLITE LOCATION FOR CHILDREN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AT CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (CVES) MINEVILLE LOCATION. Harrington, Scozzafava**
10. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR AN INTEGRATED OUTPATIENT SERVICES (IOS) LICENSE TO BECOME DUALY LICENSED FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT. Tyler, Merrihew**
11. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOANN HUSSLEIN AS A MEMBER OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ESSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD, FOR A TERM EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2023. Tyler, Hughes**

12. RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS AND APPRECIATION TO ROSE KOOP-ANGELICOLA, BSRN UPON HER RETIREMENT AS A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE FOR ESSEX COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Monty, unanimous

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Chairman – R. DeLoria Vice-Chairman – C. Barber

13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT TO IRON MAN LAKE PLACID FOR THE USE OF COUNTY ROADWAYS FOR THE 2022 IRON MAN TRIATHLON COMPETITION, SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2022. Wilson, Winemiller
14. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PERMIT TO THE WILMINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR THE USE OF COUNTY ROUTE 83, SPRINGFIELD ROAD IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON TO CONDUCT A 5K AND 10K RACE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022. Holzer, Barber
15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL AID AND STATE “MARCHISELLI” PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE – WATER STREET OVER THE BRANCH BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE TOWN OF ELIZABETHTOWN. Merrihew, DeZalia
16. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL AID AND STATE “MARCHISELLI” PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE – ALEXANDRIA AVENUE OVER LAKE GEORGE OUTLET IN THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA. Wright, Barber
17. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CPL ARCHITECTURE, ENGINEERING AND PLANNING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$352,693.00, FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES INCLUDING PRELIMINARY AND FINAL DESIGN, PERMITTING ENVIRONMENTAL, RIGHT OF WAY AND BIDDING SERVICES FOR THE ALEXANDRIA AVENUE OVER THE OUTLET OF LAKE GEORGE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM FEDERAL AID FUNDS. Wright, DeZalia
18. RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON ON THEIR BICENTENNIAL. Holzer, unanimous
19. RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF DONAL DEMACY. Holzer, unanimous

PERSONNEL

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Chairman – S. DeZalia Vice-Chairman – JP. Wilson

- 20. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION OF THE ESSEX COUNTY CORONERS TO RECEIVE THE PREMIUM PAY INCENTIVE AS AUTHORIZED AND PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF RESOLUTION NO. 278 OF DECEMBER 7, 2021. Tyler, Hughes. Scozzafava, McNally, Stanley – opposed.**

FINANCE/TAX REDUCTION/MANDATE RELIEF

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Chairman – T. Scozzafava Vice-Chairman – N. Merrihew

- 21. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT, ADOPT AND PLACE ON FILE THE 2021 ANNUAL ACCOUNTING OF MONIES RECEIVED AND DISBURSED BY THE OFFICE OF THE ESSEX COUNTY CLERK. Scozzafava, Merrihew**
- 22. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE IN HOURS OF THE NEWLY CREATED FISCAL MANAGER POSITION IN THE TREASURERS OFFICE FROM 35 TO 40 HOURS PER WEEK WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM BUDGETED FUNDS. Scozzafava, Wright**
- 23. RESOLUTION REMOVING JANE HASKINS AS AN AUTHORIZED SIGNER AND ADDING HILARY WHITE AS AN AUTHORIZED SIGNER ON ALL DOCUMENTS AND ACCOUNTS AT CHAMPLAIN NATIONAL BANK. Winemiller, Scozzafava**

MONTY: Discussion?

HUGHES: Is this a specific department or?

PALMER: Yeah this is for Treasurers. Jane Haskins was the Deputy and she retired.

HUGHES: Thank you.

MONTY: Any other questions? No questions, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

- 24. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF AUDITING SERVICES WITH OUR CURRENT CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH DRESHER & MALECKI, LLP CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTS TO INCLUDE CONSULTING, OVERSIGHT AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY ACT FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY OF ESSEX AND ADDITIONALLY TO PROVIDE THE SAME SERVICES TO THE 18 ESSEX COUNTY TOWNS AT THE PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO RATES IDENTIFIED WITHIN THE CURRENT CONTRACT. Tyler, Wilson**

MONTY: Discussion?

WINEMILLER: What was the rate?

PALMER: \$200 for partner, \$195 for associate I think and I think it was like \$145 for the rest.

WINEMILLER: And they would bill the towns directly if we utilize that service?

PALMER: Yes.

SCOZZAFAVA: And Dan, correct me if I'm wrong but you can use the funds for that too, correct?

PALMER: Absolutely, that's a recoverable cost under the American Recovery Funds yes.

MONTY: Other questions? No other questions all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed carried.

25. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POSITION OF NETWORK COORDINATOR IN THE INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO FILL SUCH POSITION. Scozzafava, Barber

MONTY: Discussion?

PALMER: Just so you're aware, I was able to start James back today that's the good news. The bad news is that my other Network Coordinator resigned so I still need the position in order to try and fill that one so we gained James back but we lost Nate.

MONTY: Discussion?

WINEMILLER: I just had a question. I don't know if it pertains to this per say but I know we talked about it Dan previously about Essex County IT assisting the towns with their websites. Is that still something that we can talk about?

PALMER: Sure. Yes, that's like a different area for us. I mean we have programmers and we have network techs but I've got two programmers, actually I've got three programmers so we can look. Luisa does almost all Board of Elections programming work there but Jonathan and the new guy we hired are certainly may have some time for that so I'll talk to them.

WINEMILLER: I would appreciate that. Thank you.

MONTY: Other questions? No questions, signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

26. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF GENERAL FUND BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$728,552.04, TO THE CAPITAL FUND PROJECT #22-1 FOR A CONTRACT WITH PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL CORP. TO DO A FLYOVER FOR GIS AND IMAGEMATE SOFTWARE UPDATES. Scozzafava, Tyler

MONTY: Discussion?

PALMER: Again, this is just a defining out we are going to fund that previous resolution for the flyover and we're taking it, this is over a nine-year period, one five-year contract with a four-year renewal, what we'll do is we'll take out of expended fund balance and put it into a reserve account and as we need to pay this out we'll pay it out. The first five years would be around \$365,000 and the second four years will be around \$362,000, but again, we will take that out on reserve fund balance.

MONTY: Questions? No questions, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

27. RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF BARBARA BRASSARD. Scozzafava, unanimous

MONTY: Resolutions from the floor, Judy.

GARRISON: Everyone has a copy on their desks, from the Mental Health Department. Resolution authorizing a contract with Psychiatric Faculty Practice for a Board Certified Child Psychiatrist, one day per week, up to \$225/hour, with a maximum of \$94,000 per year.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH PSYCHIATRIC FACULTY PRACTICE FOR A BOARD CERTIFIED CHILD PSYCHIATRIST, IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR ONE DAY PER WEEK, UP TO \$225/HOUR, WITH A MAXIMUM SALARY OF \$94,000 PER YEAR, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM BUDGETED FUNDS. Wilson, Harrington

MONTY: Discussion? No discussion, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

SCOZZAFAVA: I have something. First, is a resolution of condolence to the family of Margaret Trombly who is formerly a resident of the Town of Moriah, recently passed away.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF MARGARET TROMBLY. Scozzafava, unanimous.

SCOZZAFAVA: And the second is a resolution of condolence to the family of Michael L. Brenner who was Amy Chapuk's brother in law.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF MICHAEL L. BRENNER. Scozzafava, unanimous

HOLZER: I have a resolution I'd like to recognize and thank the organizers of the World University Games that take place in Lake Placid and surrounding communities in Essex County, New York starting January 12, 2023 and last through January 22, 2023.

RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION TO THE ORGANIZERS OF THE WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES THAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN LAKE PLACID AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES IN ESSEX COUNTY, NEW YORK ON JANUARY 12, 2023 – JANUARY 22, 2023. Holzer, unanimous

GILLILLAND: I have a resolution of condolence to the family of Spencer Stafford Sr. Spencer Stafford was a leader in our Willsboro community and a member of the Town Board for 30 years.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF SPENCER STAFFORD SR. Gilliland, unanimous

WILSON: I'd like to move a resolution for the Board of Supervisors to approve an MOU subject to the approval of the County Attorney and County Manager for the Town of Keene and Essex County to, an MOU to allow the Town of Keene's town property to build a multi-use trail system focused on Mountain Biking on the property that the County owns on Route 9N, right at the edge of the Town of Keene.

RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX AND THE TOWN OF KEENE FOR THE USE OF KEENE PROPERTY LOCATED ON ROUTE 9N BY THE TOWN OF KEENE FOR A MULTI-USE TRAIL AND RECREATIONAL SYSTEM OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Wilson, Holzer

MONTY: Discussion?

WILSON: I'm happy to answer any questions.

HUGHES: How much acreage are you talking?

WILSON: It's a 112-acre parcel and I've been working with Alice Halloran from Soil and Water who sort of manages the county owned properties and looking at uses modeled with what Lewis did with their trails on the Thrall Dam property where they built you know public trails on town property so the town would insure it. We are working with BETA as well who's involved with a number of the towns here to have a trail system that would have parts of it dedicated to just mountain biking and keep it separate from other uses like hiking and cross country skiing so in working with Alice she looked at the property, didn't see environmental concerns, there are no other uses going on so we're trying to get Keene to fit in with what Lewis, Elizabethtown and Wilmington are doing to attract bicycling and provide equity for residents of the county and the town.

DOTY: Joe, would the trail have to be designated as an easement from the county?

WILSON: I will let Dan answer that.

MANNING: Yeah, if it's just on our property we wouldn't designate an easement at all it would just be an agreement to allow Keene, basically allow anybody, any residents or visitors to use the property for those purposes so you wouldn't need an easement or anything it would be an agreement.

WILSON: And the county would be named as an additional insured on our insurance and the town would carry the liability.

DOTY: Good luck.

WILSON: Thank you. Any other questions?

MONTY: I think it's a great way for us to promote activities within the county as well as bringing more tourism dollars in because Mountain Biking is becoming a big thing now. Anyway I can help JoePete, I'd be glad to help you.

WILSON: Thank you.

DOTY: Joe can we link Old Mountain Road over to where you are going to?

WILSON: So old Mountain Road is not motorized but we've been looking at and I've talked with the Town of Jay previous Supervisor, Roy, Jim Dougan and I talked about how we could, as we do road projects like making Springfield Road wider and I talked to DOT a little bit about how can we build in more or design in more bicycle access to connect. I know that DOT has a project on Route 73, next year that's going to make a little safer so we're trying to push that in all the road projects. How do we make it safer for motorists and bicyclist on the roads so Springfield Road we talked about. You know, in summertime, Bartlett Road is a good connection between Keene and Jay so yeah, I think the more conversations we have like that about it.

DOTY: We are already talking about grooming the trails that hook the old Cascade trail system in from our Craig Wood Golf Course with a special groomer just for these, I don't know what you call these bikes with the wide tires? Fat bikes and to have a machine that pulls that, that's why I was bringing up the Mountain Road so if we could jump over and access you?

WILSON: Well, that's great and I think one of the things we all have in common, I know Roy works with Dave at Barkeater Trails allowing alliance, Noel does, I'm not sure if you did?

MONTY: Yup, we did.

WILSON: So having them be sort of a core our experts in technical advisors I think that will help us coordinate those efforts.

DOTY: That would be great.

WILSON: Thank you

MONTY: Anything further?

WINEMILLER: JoePete do you have plans to have some sort of bike rental place there?

WILSON: Well, that would have to be down the road. Right now there's no water, cell phone, Internet so I think we want to solve some of those infrastructure things before we got that ambitious but it would be a great location for that for sure.

WINEMILLER: Good luck.

WILSON: Thank you.

MONTY: Anything further? Nothing further, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

WILSON: Thank you all.

MONTY: I do have one and then Dan has got one. I'd like to offer a resolution of condolence to the family of John Konowitz who passed away suddenly Friday. He was a tremendous man, coaching icon, set up a scholarship that had benefitted many, many of the kids in our communities in honor of his wife Judy who has Alzheimer's and it's just a sad thing, tremendous loss so I would like to offer that resolution of condolence.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF JOHN KONOWITZ. Monty, unanimous

MONTY: Thank you, Dan.

MANNING: Just quickly I have just one resolution. I had sent I guess the end of last week a resolution, a copy of the resolution and the resolution reads, a resolution approving the Allergan New York Opioid settlement sharing agreement between participating subdivisions and Allergan and the execution of a New York subdivision election and release form together with any and all necessary pertinent documents required to settle Essex County's interest in the current New York

State litigation involving Allergan. This resolution will basically allow Dan Palmer, Shaun and or me to sign all the necessary documents to settle this opioid litigation with Allergan. The initial amount of proceeds we feel we are going to receive is about \$73,470, this resolution provides for that and any or all additional settlement money we might receive relative thereto. There's also regional special funds from which we can get additional monies. The body of the resolution, the meat of it just simply says to authorize us to settle with Allergan with approximately \$73,470.10, with additional monies set forth in the New York Opioid settlement agreement also resolved as I said, the County Manager, County Chairman or myself to sign the New York State Opioid settlement sharing agreement and the election and release form and any other documents relative to the settlement release form simply a settlement release saying, we're not going to sue you any more on this we're getting what we are going to get. The other one is to participate in this lawsuit the lawsuit was begun by Nasua and Suffolk counties and the State of New York after everything shook out they got \$125 million dollars going to participating municipalities so that's that.

This is similar to what we did a while ago with J&J or Jansen I don't remember the amount it was around \$200,000 I think. We can expect money some time by the end of February. I anticipate the next thing I will have is some sort of notification from our lawyers, Napoli & Shkolnik authorizing us to send wire instructions so they will wire the fund and as I said in my correspondence there are two pots to these monies, one is an unrestricted pot which you can use and you don't have to prove anything but I would caution you that I would use it for some sort of opioid connected purpose and there's many ways and many things that can be connected to opioid abuse and then there's the restricted pot where you have to establish a program whether it could be helping the Sheriff's Department with opioid problems, Mental Health, Public Health all sorts of things, child counseling, adult counseling so that's restricted but you'll have to submit to, at this point I think it's the Department of Health so that's it. I just need a motion, a second, discussion and then a roll call. Don't need a roll call, sorry.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ALLERGAN NEW YORK OPIOID SETTLEMENT SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN PARTICIPATING SUBDIVISIONS AND ALLERGAN AND THE EXECUTION OF A NEW YORK SUBDIVISION ELECTION AND RELEASE FORM TOGETHER WITH ANY AND ALL NECESSARY PERTINENT DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO SETTLE ESSEX COUNTY'S INTEREST IN THE CURRENT NEW YORK STATE LITIGATION INVOLVING ALLERGAN. Scozzafava, Stanley

MONTY: Discussion, questions? No discussion, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

TYLER: I see Mr. Diskin is in our presence, I didn't know if he wanted to discuss an issue with this board today? No?

MONTY: Sure.

DISKIN: Last week I got a notification from a tax payer and owner who owns three properties in Elizabethtown and seven in Westport, that there was a problem with their school taxes. I want to give just a little back ground on it. We were notified that she had sent a certified, mailed a check by certified mail to the Boquet Valley School District, the Boquet Valley School District employee who picked it up, signed for the check but for some reason, the check never got to the tax collector, it never got recorder and all of her taxes came back as unpaid. It's quite an extensive amount of property, they own a lot of properties. I believe the school taxes were themselves for those ten properties, were in excess of \$40,000, so it cost a lot in relevy and interest. So I talked to the school district, I talked to Mr. Meyer the school Superintendent and he validated, he checked it

out and found the green card, proved it was delivered there but they have not found the check but he is going to go to his board and ask that the interest be relieved on these properties and I told him, contingent upon that I would ask this Board to relieve the penalty of 7% because I just feel that the taxpayer hadn't made any mistake in doing this, it was some error at the school district that caused this person probably eight to ten thousands of dollars of interest and penalties on this. They have paid them. They have paid the tax. The taxpayer went ahead and paid their taxes so this will be a refund on the penalty part, the school, we'll get a refund from the school or a payback from the school for the interest. I can give you specific property tax maps and the dollar amounts to everybody by regular board.

SCOZZAFAVA: If they have the green card they obviously mailed it, the school misplaced it so they should not be charged any penalties so I would move that.

RESOLUTION CANCELING AND WAIVING INTEREST, PENALTIES AND OTHER CHARGES PURSUANT TO REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW, SECTION 1182, ON PARCELS OWNED BY VINCENT PLACE IN THE TOWNS OF ELIZABETHTOWN AND WESTPORT AND CANCELING ALL INTEREST CHARGED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ON THE SAME PARCELS. Scozzafava, Tyler

MONTY: Further discussion? No further discussion, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

DISKIN: I will have a list of the dollar amounts and the tax map numbers by regular meeting next week.

MONTY: Thank you Mike. Anything else from the floor?

PALMER: Yeah, we had a couple out of EMS that was moved, a request to purchase a used ambulance from the Elizabethtown-Lewis EMS Squad for the Essex County EMS program. This is part of the, it is eligible under the New York EMS Program. The amount would be up to \$10,000, so it would be a request purchase from Elizabethtown-Lewis EMS.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO PURCHASE A USED AMBULANCE FROM THE ELIZABETHTOWN-LEWIS EMS SQUAD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE MRF GRANT. Barber, Merrihew

MONTY: Discussion? No further discussion, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

PALMER: Then the second one was a request to purchase five advanced life support (ALS) monitors for the county EMS agencies. The funds are in the 2022 budget and are reimbursable through the State grant. It's for the part of this scope of work contained in the grant application and that is in an amount of \$150,000.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO PURCHASE FIVE (5) ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (ALS) MONITORS FOR THE COUNTY EMS AGENCIES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000.00, WITH BUDGETED FUNDS REIMBURSABLE THROUGH THE NEW YORK STATE MRF GRANT. Merrihew, Gilliland

MONTY: Discussion? No further discussion, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

PALMER: That's all I had.

MONTY: That's all you have Dan?

PALMER: I think so. Jim, did we talk about having any from the floor?

DOUGAN: I had a couple that may have been pushed back, the bids were due I was going to bring those up today but they did have to be pushed back because of the electronic issues with Munis. I want the board to be aware, I don't like to bring them to the full board but I will bring to the full board if those bids are acceptable.

PALMER: Okay I knew there was something I just couldn't remember.

MONTY: I guess my question is how well is this Munis system working Dan?

PALMER: Well, it's working a lot better than people like to think. Whenever you and I think Mike Diskin can tell you the same thing, when we first implemented the Pentamation System back in 1994, '95, we heard the same things. It takes a little while to get used to, there is a lot. We saw it in the budget module especially it was a lot easier, departments were able to enter their budget requests directly into the Munis system. I think it's more about getting used to it than it is anything else. I'm not unhappy with the system.

MONTY: It's just getting used to it. Anything from the floor? Mr. Manning has asked us for an executive session to discuss a legal matter so I'll entertain a motion to move into executive session. Moved by Mr. Tyler, second by Mr. Hughes. All in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

MANNING: It is in regards to current litigation.

THE COMMITTEE MOVED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:35 A.M.
TO DISCUSS A CURRENT LITIGATION MATTER AND
MOVED BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 10:48 A.M.

MONTY: Alright, I'll entertain a motion we go back into regular session Mr. Tyler, second Mr. Harrington. Nothing was decided or done in the executive session. Anything else to come before the board? Nothing else to come before the board, we stand dismissed.

As there was no further discussion to come before this Ways and Means Committee it was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Garrison, Clerk
Board of Supervisors